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1. A hand winch having a removable sway handle comprising:

a main body having a main axis with a winding drum thereon for winding a cable, a plurality of ratchet teeth of single direction abutting a lateral side of said winding drum, a subordinate hook secured to one end thereof and a main hook including a pulley in rear end connected to said cable which has a distal portion surrounding said pulley and fastened to a transverse bar at other end of said main body;

a sway handle removably and rotatably secured to the main axis of said main body having a tongs shaped front portion composed of a pair of symmetrical prongs each of which has a concave in fore end, a small hole above the concave, a circular through hole and a screw hole spacedly formed above the small hole, a check pawl rotatably connected to an axial rod engageable with said ratchet teeth and a lever positioned under said check pawl and connected with a spring from one of said prongs for operating said check pawl;

a pair of elastic members each having an elastic plate including a screw hole adjacent free end respectively engaged with the screw holes of said prongs and secured by a pair of screw from inner said of said prongs and cap with an opening in inner side releasably engaged with the circular through hole from inner side of said prongs;

a pair movable plates rotatably secured to outside of said

prongs by a pair of rivets and each having a though hole in a center engaged with the small hole of said prongs, a positioning hole adjacent one end engaged with the caps of said elastic members and a check slot in other end respectively engaged with said main axis and blocking the concave of said prongs; and

whereby, press said caps inward to set said movable plates free to rotate to permit said sway handle readily removes from said main body.

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